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In re Application of:

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Title: **NUCLEATE BOILING SURFACES FOR COOLING AND GAS GENERATION**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before action in this application and before calculation of the filing fee, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification at page 1, lines 1-7 to replace the paragraph describing the claim to priority with a new paragraph as indicated in the clean copy found in Appendix 1 of this Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims ~~1~~, ~~3-4~~, ~~6-7~~, ~~9~~, and ~~34-36~~, which were allowed as amended in U.S. Patent Application No. 08/485,161, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

Please amend claims ~~2~~, ~~5~~, and ~~8~~ as indicated in the "mark-up" copy found in Appendix 2 of this Preliminary Amendment. A "clean"

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